2132



PATENT 98086PCTUS RECEIVED

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AUG 22 REC'D

TC 2100

In re application of:

Lothrop Mittenthal

Application No. 09/762,555

Filed: August 13, 1999

DETERMINISTICALLY GENERATING

WHICH MEET A GIVEN STANDARD

BLOCK SUBSTITUTION TABLES

OF NONLINEARITY

RECEIVED

AUG 2 1 2003

PETITION TO MAKE APPLICATION SPECIAL

Technology Center 2100

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

August 18, 2003

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.102(c), Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be made special and that prosecution thereof be expedited on the basis that Applicant is over sixty-five (65) years of age.

"Express Mail" mailing label number ER524415451US

Date of Deposit August 18, 2003

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents,

P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

As evidenced by a copy of Applicant's birth certificate included herewith, Applicant was born on June 22, 1925, and is now seventy-eight (78) years of age.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Hugust 18, 2003

Robert A. Muha Reg. No. 44,249

KIRKPATRICK & LOCKHART, LLP Henry W. Oliver Building 535 Smithfield Street Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222-2312

Telephone:

(412) 355-8244

Facsimile:

(412) 355-6501

E-mail:

rmuha@kl.com